thousand five hundred dollars instead of hiring three or more annotators.

That there be added to section 6 the following

May dispense Words: with other annotate annotators

Duty of annotator.

"But said committee may dispense with the three annotators upon the employment of the said Emlin McClain, and said Emlin McClain shall be paid the price agreed upon, and the auditor of state is hereby authorized and directed

to draw and deliver warrants in favor of Emlin McClain for said annotations and for any other expenditures in connection with the work of annotating, indexing and publishing the code upon certificates of the code supervising com-

mittee and executive council.

SEC. 2.

McClain legalized.

The said code supervising committee having Contract with under and by virtue of the authority of joint resolution number 2 entered into a contract with the said McClain for the annotation of the said code, the said contract is hereby legalized, and the said act shall be considered and construed to have the same force and effect as if sections 1 and 2 hereof had been originally incorporated in the act to which this act is amendatory.

Take effect.

SEC 4. This act being deemed of immediate importance shall take effect and be in force from and after its publication in the Iowa State Register and the Des Moines Leader, newspapers published at Des Moines, Iowa.

Approved July 6, 1897.

I hereby certify that the foregoing act was published in the Iowa State Register and Des Moines Leader July 9, 1897.

G. L. DOBSON. Secretary of State.

## CHAPTER 22.

8 T. 98 AN ACT to legalize the levy and collection of poor taxes and taxes for ordinary county revenue in counties of the state.

Preamble.

WHEREAS, The boards of supervisors of counties of this state, as classified in section seven hundred and ninety-six of the code as amended by chapter forty-three of the acts of the Twenty second General Assembly, have from year to year levied taxes for ordinary county revenue; and have also, and in addition to such levies for ordinary county revenue, levied, from year to year, a poor tax under the supposition that the power so to do was vested in them by the provisions of section thirteen hundred and eighty-one of the code as amended by the acts of the Sixteenth General Assembly, chapter one hundred and forty-nine, the acts of the Seventeenth General Assembly, chapter one hundred and sixty-six, and the acts of the Twenty first General Assembly, chapter ten; and,

WHEREAS, Most of the taxpayers have paid said taxes and it is to the interest of such counties that such taxes

and their collection be legalized; and,

WHEREAS, Doubts have arisen as to the power of boards of supervisors of such counties to levy and collect such taxes, because of a claimed conflict in the provisions of such sections seven hundred and ninety-six and one thousand three hundred and eighty-one as amended, and for other reasons; now, therefore,

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa:

SECTION 1. That such poor tax and such taxes for Additional ordinary county revenue, so levied by the boards of super-support of visors of such counties for the years in which such levies poor legalized have been made, are hereby declared legal and valid, and where the same have not been paid the proper officers of such corporations are hereby empowered to collect the same as other taxes are collected; but nothing in this act

shall in any manner affect any pending litigation.

SEC. 2. This act being deemed of immediate importake effect.

tance shall be in force and take effect from and after its publication in the State Register and the Des Moines Leader, newspapers published at Des Moines, Iowa.

Approved April 17, 1887.

I hereby certify that the foregoing act was published in the Iowa State Register and Des Moines Leader April 18 and 20, respectively, 1897.

> G. L. Dobson, Secretary of State.

## CHAPTER 23.

AN ACT to legalize acknowledgment; of instruments in writing s F. 83. heretofore taken by Notaries Public.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa:

SECTION 1. That the acknowledgment of all deeds, Acknowledgmortgages, or other instruments in writing heretofore by notary taken or certified, and which instruments have been guarantee recorded in the Recorder's office of any county of this legalized. State, including acknowledgments of instruments made by any private or other corporation, or to which such corporation was a party, or under which such corporation was a beneficiary, and which have been acknowledged before or certified by any notary public who was at the time of such acknowledgment or certifying a stockholder or officer in such corporation, be and the same are hereby declared to be legal and valid official acts of such notaries public, and to entitle such instruments to be recorded, anything in the laws of the State of Iowa in regard to acknowledgments to the contrary notwithstanding.

SEC. 2. This act shall not affect the rights of parties Saving clause in any action or suit now pending in any court of this

state.